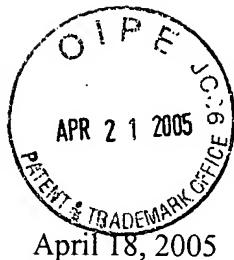


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Inventor(s): David J. St. Clair
Filing Date: December 1, 2003
Attorney Docket No.: W-0024

Dear Sir:

Please find the following enclosed documents:

1. Transmittal of Information Disclosure Statement;
2. Statement Under 37 CFR 1.97(e) Accompanying Information Disclosure Statement;
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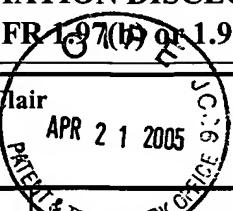
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In Re Application Of: David J. St. Clair



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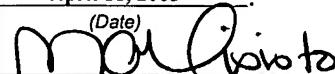
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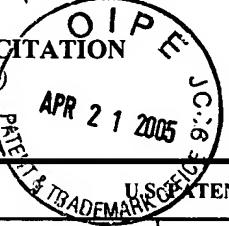
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